

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



**ROGER ANSON BROWN, SR.**

**SUNRISE: June 1, 1966 - SUNSET: August 10, 2022**

**Friday, August 26, 2022 - 5pm**

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# OBITUARY

**Roger Anson Brown, Sr.**, affectionately known as "Beatle," age 56, passed away peacefully on August 10, 2022 at Friedwald Rehab Center Rockland County, New York. Roger was born on June 1, 1966, at St. Luke Women's Hospital in Harlem, New York, to parents, Bertha Louis Gray Brown (deceased) and Clarence H. Williams (deceased).

Roger grew up in the Frederick Douglass Houses in Harlem, NY. He was baptized at an early age at St. Thomas Catholic Church and received his diploma from Booker T. Washington High School. Roger's work history includes stints as a correction officer, a public safety officer, a license chef, a carpenter/landlord, and a real estate entrepreneur. Roger worked for the New York City Housing Department prior to his death, managing commercial boilers, which was his passion.

Roger truly lived his life to the fullest by enjoying simple pleasures and spending time with friends and family. His absence leaves a huge void in the lives of his family and friends. Those who knew him for his cheerfulness, hard work, and generosity are blessed.

Roger was predeceased by two brothers, Mack Brown and Robert Caine.

He is survived by: his six children, Shant'e L. Brown, Onika L. Brown, Roger A. Brown, Jr., Kelton D. Brown, Anaya A. Brown-Reese (Michael), and Alicia D. Brown, as well as four grandchildren, Lehanna N. White (she affectionately called him "Pop Pop" and he affectionately called her "Chatter Box"), Michael M. Reese, Jr., Milan M. Reese, and Miles A. Reese; his seven siblings, Rosa Brown, Charles "Wiredell" Brown, Clarence Williams, Sr.(Barbara), Carolyn Harris (Angelo), Margie Clark (Curtis), and Emily "Pudeny" Brown; five aunts, Barbara Cooper, Linda Gray, Rachel Day, Evelyn Bazemore (Rod), and Mary Davis (Eddie); one uncle, Ernest Wishop; one great uncle, Willie Simms; two great aunts, Berniece Simms and Eleanor Simms, as well as a slew of cousins, nephews, great nephews, great great nephews, nieces, great nieces, great great nieces, and friends. Roger also leaves behind an early childhood sweetheart, Dr. Izetta Briggs, with whom he reunited a few years ago and who remained devoted to him until the end.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

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Officiant: Rev. Dr. James Charles Williams, Jr., Pastor  
Kehukie Missionary Baptist Church, Scotland Neck, NC

Hymn.....“Pass Me Not O Gentle Savior”

Scriptural Readings.....Pastor

Prayer of Comfort.....Deacon Clarence Williams, Sr.

Acknowledgements.....Isaac Evans

Obituary Reading.....Kelton Brown

Reflections (Two Minutes Please)..... Dr. Izetta Briggs  
Tommy Gray  
Tracy Evans

Poem: “Change of Address” ..... Emily Brown

Hymn.....“Hold On To God’s Unchanging Hand”

Words of Comfort.....Rev. Dr. James Charles Williams, Jr.

Committal & Benediction.....Pastor

Final Viewing

## REPASS TO FOLLOW:

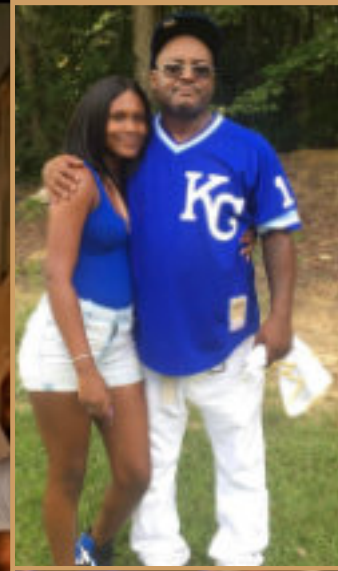
Friday, August 26, 2022 - 6:30pm - 9pm  
Grace United Methodist Church  
125 W. 104th Street (Between Amsterdam & Columbus)

## FINAL DISPOSITION:

Rosehill Crematory  
Linden, New Jersey



PRECIOUS MEMORIES







# OUR DEAR BROTHER ROGER,

When we heard the news that you had transitioned, there was an unexplainable pain in our hearts. We immediately thought of a plan we had that would not be at this time.

Upon being released from rehab, you were going to be wheeled out and we your siblings would be standing there. You got up from the chair and walked into our open arms. Oh! What a joyful day that was going to be. We were going to celebrate, shouting PRAISES for your healing and recovery.

But EARLY in the morning on Wednesday, August 10th, 2022, God saw that you were tired, so He put His arms around you and welcomed you home.

We will miss your smile, your outgoing personality and your everlasting love.

With heavy HEARTS we say farewell dear brother, until we meet again.

WE will always love you to the moon and back and then some!

**ALWAYS YOUR SIBLINGS!**

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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